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SUBJECT: FRG AMBASSADOR'S QUERY RE CHADIAN DEVELOPMENTS

1. TODAY'S PRESS REPORTS THAT SADAT HAS SENT A MESSAGE TO PRESIDENT CARTER ON CHADIAN DEVELOPMENTS. WHEN FRG AMBASSADOR STELTZER CALLED ON ME THIS MORNING, HE ALLUDED TO PRESS REPORT AND ASKED IF I COULD TELL HIM ANYTHING ABOUT IT. REASON FOR ASKING, HE EXPLAINED, IS THAT CHADIAN GOVT HAS APPEALED TO FRG FOR MILITARY ASSISTANCE TO MEET LIBYAN-INSTIGATED INSURGENCY THREAT IN NORTH. SINCE FRG DISPOSED GIVE CONSIDERABLE WEIGHT TO SADAT'S VIEWS, HE HAD ASKED FOR MEETING WITH MINSTATE MOHAMED RIAD TO GET A BRIEFING ON GOE POSITION. UNFORTUNATELY, RIAD UNABLE TO RECEIVE HIM UNTIL NEXT MONDAY. COULD I GIVE HIM ANY INFORMATION.

2. I TOLD HIM I WAS NOT IN POSITION TO COMMENT SPECIFICALLY ON PRESIDENTIAL COMMUNICATIONS, BUT I COULD TELL HIM SADAT IS VERY EXERCISED ABOUT CHADIAN SITUATION. GOE HAS IN FACT BEEN BRIEFING US ON DEVELOPMENTS IN LAST TEN DAYS OR SO. I OUTLINED TO HIM CHADIAN REQUEST TO TOE FOR MILITARY ASSISTANCE, SADAT'S REACTION THAT SUCH CONFIDENTIAL

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ASSISTANCE DESIRABLE TO PREVENT MODERATE MALLOUM GOVERN-MENT FROM FALLING, AND ALLEGEDLY SUCCESSFUL EGYPTIAN/
SUDANESE EFFORT TO RECONCILE MALLOUM AND EAST CHADIAN
INSURGENT LEADER HUSSEIN HABRE. TOLD HIM CHADIANS
HAVE ALSO ASKED US FOR MILITARY ASSISTANCE, BUT REQUEST
POSES REAL PROBLEMS FOR US. NO REPLY YET GIVEN.
HOWEVER, CHADIAN VP IS IN WASHINGTON TODAY FOR DISCUS-

SIONS ON THE SITUATION.

3. STELTZER IS GOING TO TRY TO GET RIAD'S OFFICE TO MOVE UP THE APPOINTMENT. EILTS

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